

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows without prejudice. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

We claim:

Claim 1 (Canceled)
Claim 2 (Canceled)
Claim 3 (Canceled)
Claim 4 (Canceled)
Claim 5 (Canceled)
Claim 6 (Canceled)
Claim 7 (Canceled)
Claim 8 (Canceled)
Claim 9 (Canceled)
Claim 10 (Canceled)
Claim 11 (Canceled)
Claim 12 (Canceled)
Claim 13 (Canceled)
Claim 14 (Canceled)
Claim 15 (Canceled)
Claim 16 (Canceled)
Claim 17 (Canceled)
Claim 18 (Canceled)
Claim 19 (Canceled)
Claim 20 (Canceled)
Claim 21 (Canceled)
Claim 22 (Canceled)

Claim 23 (Canceled)

Claim 24 (Canceled)

Claim 25 (Currently amended) A method for selective encryption of multiple sections within a document comprising:

- detecting a document encryption request;
- activating a document encryption routine;
- accessing a proposed document for encryption and tagging one or more sections of the proposed document as designated for encryption;
- encrypting the tagged sections with multiple encryption keys;
- extracting the plain text version of each encrypted sections from the document;
- marking locations in the document where the extracted sections were located;
- storing a copy of each encrypted section of the document for each key used in the encryption process, extracted sections from the document in an appendix attached to the document;
- receiving a request to access an encrypted section of the document;
- determining whether a received decryption key for the encrypted section of the document for which the access request was made is proper for that encrypted section, by selecting one of the encrypted copies of the document, selecting a key and attempting to decrypt the selected encrypted copies with the selected key by determining if a defined character string is in the selected copy of the encrypted section;
- when the determination is that the received decryption key is proper, retrieving and decrypting the section of the document for which the access request was made; and
- displaying the decrypted section of the document.

Claim 26 (Previously presented) The method as described in claim 25 further comprising after said displaying step, the step of determining whether there is a request to access another encrypted section of the document.

Claim 27 (Previously presented) The method as described in claim 26 further comprising when there is a determination that there is a request to access another encrypted section of the document, repeating the steps of:

determining whether a received decryption key for the encrypted section of the document for which the access request was made is proper for that encrypted section;

when the determination is that the received decryption key is proper, retrieving and decrypting the section of the document for which the access request was made; and

displaying the decrypted section of the document.